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Task Force on Autism Spectrum Disorders

March 12, 2007; 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Meeting Notes

Attendees: Gary Collings, Naomi Swiezy, Loui Lord Nelson, Cathy Pratt, Ann Shnepf, Leah Nellis, Kylee Bassett, Sheila Wolfe

1. Mary Glenn Rinne

Mary provided an update on information related to pre-service training at universities on autism. She discussed the standards which guide university courses and the status of dual licensure.

2. Susan Jacobs

Susan provided the group with an overview of the IDEAL project. This on-line resource is an excellent tool that is free of charge and provides trainings in multiple areas concerning the education of children with special needs.

3. Discussion about Training Language in Article 7

The group continued to review the language drafted by Nina Brahm. It was decided that this topic would be discussed again in April and that Nina will cross reference suggestions made by the task force with similar definitions in IDEA '04 and Article 7.